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1. An informant [redacted] reports as of 15 August - 15 September 1946 that individual garrisons have been strengthened, while motorized traffic has slightly diminished and horse-drawn vehicles have again become common.
2. During late August and early September 1946, there was considerable troop movement. The barracks at Zwickau are now occupied by young soldiers who, judging from their general appearance and behavior, appear to be strictly disciplined. EM are confined to their compounds and train daily, in company strength, in fields behind the barracks with teams of horses and Russian machine guns. All troops in the area wear insignia showing two crossed rifles in black.
3. On 2 September 1946 "several" convoys of Stalin and T-34 tanks passed through Zwickau in groups of two, three, four, and nine tanks. They were proceeding northward, possible to Grimnitzschau (K25).
4. From 25 August to 9 September 1946, large railroad transports of assorted guns, particularly AT and AA types, and trainloads of tanks and trucks passed through Zwickau, in the general direction of Thuringia, on the line to Gera (K06).

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